

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 222 - HB 544**

February 24, 2003

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits any person terminated from employment with a nursing home or nursing home management company from participating in a survey of those entities by the Department of Health. Any potential employees of the Department of Health who will participate in health care agency surveys are to disclose previous employment with a nursing home.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**MINIMAL**

Current Federal regulations prohibit any former nursing home employee from conducting a survey in a facility where they were employed for two years. This would expand the regulations in Tennessee above those required by the federal government; however, such expansion is not estimated to have a material impact on the cost to conduct surveys of nursing homes.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Davenport".

James A. Davenport, Executive Director